# **ACCESS AND VISITATION**



Access to Visitation Grant Program
Statewide Office of Family Court Services
www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courtadmin/aoc/fcs

California's Access to Visitation Grant Program is currently beginning its third year of operation. The goal of the Access to Visitation Grant Program is to increase non-residential parent's access to their children, to improve the quality of parent/child relationships, and to expand the scope and availability of support services to families with children who are now or have been in family courts. During the first year of funding (1997-98), the program delivered services to over 2,000 people. Thirty-eight counties received approximately \$2 million in federal funds. Many of these programs involved multiple courts, counties and community.

California is one of the states to receive funding for the Access Grant Program. Funding to all states for Non-Custodial Access and Visitation Programs is provided by the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-193, 110 Stat. 2258), Title III, Subtitle I—Enhancing Responsibility and Opportunity for Non-residential Parents, section 469B of the Social Security Act. State funds are based on the number of single-parent households. California has the largest number of single heads of household in the United States, and therefore receives the largest portion of these funds.

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) applied for and received these grant moneys, (Family Code Section 10101). The Access to Visitation Grant Program receives direction from an advisory group composed of representatives from the Judicial Council's Family Law Advisory Committee, the legislature, public agencies, the Administrative Office of the Courts, the Family Law Bar, and special interest groups. The Statewide Office of Family Court Services has had the primary responsibility of administering and publicizing this Program.

The main areas of focus for the grant program are: Parent Education, Group Counseling, and Supervised Visitation and Neutral Drop Off and Exchange Services.

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(S.F. Superior Ct.)
(St. Francis Memorial Hospital [Rally])

Santa Barbara County Superior Court
Gary M. Blair, Trial Courts Executive Officer
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1100 Anacapa Street
Santa Barbara, California 93121-1107
805-568-3150
COUNTY SERVICE PROVIDER(S):
(Santa Barbara Sup. Ct.)
(Interface Children Family Services)
(CASA of San Luis Obispo County, Inc.)
(Santa Barbara Family Education, Inc.)

Superior Court of California, Santa Clara County Sandra Clark 170 Park Center Plaza San Jose, California 95113 408-299-3741 COUNTY SERVICE PROVIDER(S): (Chamberlain's Children Center, Inc.) (Family Service Agency of San Mateo County, Inc.) (Family Service Agency of Monterey County) (Creative Family Connections)

Mendocino County Superior Court
Carol Park, Family Court Mediator
Mendocino County Courthouse
P.O. Box 996
Ukiah, California 95482
707-463-4915
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(Humboldt/DelNorte CASA – S.A.F.E)

Superior Court of California
County of Merced
Tom Dickson, CEO/Administrator
670 West 22<sup>nd</sup>, Room 15
Merced, California 95340
209-385-7471
COUNTY SERVICE PROVIDER(S):
(Merced Sup. Ct.)
(Children's Access to Parents)
(Child Advocates of Merced County)

Orange County Superior Court Louise Napoli, Executive Director 341 City Drive South, P.O. Box 14169 Orange California 92863-1569 714-935-6153 COUNTY SERVICE PROVIDER(S): (Orange County)

Sacramento Superior Court
Sandra Oldham
3341 Power Inn Road
Sacramento, California 95826
916-875-3482
COUNTY SERVICE PROVIDER(S):
(Sacramento County CASA Program)

Superior Court of California
County of San Bernardino
Sherri Quadri, Family Law Facilitator
351 North Arrowhead Ave., Room 326
San Bernardino, California 92415
909-387-3154
COUNTY SERVICE PROVIDER(S): (San Bernardino Sup. Ct
(YWCA of San Bernardino)
(Redlands-Yucaipa Guidance-Clinic Assn.)

Superior Court of California
County of San Diego
Patty Chavez Fallon,
1501 Sixth Avenue
San Diego, California 92101
619-557-2100
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(Kids' Turn San Diego)
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(Creative Family Connections)

Shasta County Superior Court
Timothy J. Vanschooten, MFCC
1640 West Street
Redding, California 96001
530-225-5707
COUNTY SERVICE PROVIDER(S):
(Shasta Superior Court)
(Alternatives to Violence)
(Environmental Alternatives)
(Family Service Agency of Shasta County)
(Northern Calif. Center for Family Awareness, Inc.)
(Training Employment And Community Help, Inc.)

Sonoma County Superior Court Peggy Schmeck, Family Court Services 1450 Guerneville Road Santa Rosa, California 95403 707-565-7060

COUNTY SERVICE PROVIDER(S): (California Parenting Institute) (Sonoma County Legal Services Foundation, Inc.)